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Madison, Wisconsin -- Erik C. Peterson, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Darryl Patterson, 35, Beloit, Wis., was sentenced today by U.S. District Judge Barbara Crabb to 52 months in prison for being a felon in possession of a firearm. This term of imprisonment will be followed by three years of supervised release. Patterson pleaded guilty to this charge on June 5, 2008.

On August 20, 2007, Beloit police officers executed a search warrant at the defendant's residence and found a gun. Patterson admitted that he purchased it for protection.

The charges against Patterson were the result of an investigation conducted by the Beloit Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. The prosecution of the case has been handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Elizabeth Altman.

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